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Murder tops Johnson indictments

by **Lilly Adkins**
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – The Johnson County Grand Jury issued 16 indictments last week, including one for murder.

Gene Helton, 43, of Salyersville, is charged with murder, first-degree assault and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/

drugs, first offense within five years.

According to the indictment, on or before May 29, Helton allegedly wantonly operated a motor vehicle under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life, thereby creating a grave risk of death to another person that resulted in the death of Miranda Martin.

Helton also wantonly operated a motor vehicle, a dangerous instrument, under cir-

cumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life, thereby creating a grave risk of death and/or serious physical injury to another person which resulted in serious physical injury to Billy Royster, the indictment said. He was also operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or other substances that impair a driver's ability to operate that motor vehicle.

Others named in true bills include:

• James Litteral, 60, and Gloria Litteral, 50, both of Sitka, charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance methamphetamine, more than two grams/complicity, and second-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictments, on or before Feb. 26, James Litteral, allegedly, acting alone or in complicity with Gloria Litteral, know-

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Spence pleads not guilty to killings

by **Lilly Adkins**
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

INEZ – A Martin County man accused of killing two people in November entered a not guilty plea during his arraignment Thursday in Martin Circuit Court.

A Jan. 16, 2014, pretrial conference is set for Orie J. Spence, 29, of Tomahawk, who is charged with two counts of murder, tampering with physical evidence, second-degree persistent felony offender and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Spence's court-appointed attorney, Steve Goble, told Circuit Judge John David Preston that Spence would waive formal arraignment and entered a not guilty plea on his

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Orie J. Spence



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Man charged in beating

by **Lilly Adkins**
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

LOUISA – A Lawrence County man who allegedly beat his wife severely then left after calling an ambulance was arrested in Carter County at approximately 9 a.m. Sunday.

Aaron Uhlmann, 41, of Web-ville, is charged with first-degree robbery, kidnapping an adult and was served with a warrant for another police agency.

According to a press release issued by the Lawrence County Sheriff's Office, officers were dis-

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Drugs found in Floyd jail

by **Lilly Adkins**
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – Two men were arrested Thursday in connection with an investigation into the introduction of illegal contraband at the Floyd County Detention Center.

A press release issued by the Kentucky State Police said the names of the two men who were arrested are not being released at

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'Red V. Blue' to premiere in Paintsville

by **Tony Fyffe**
BSN MANAGING EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — A new documentary about the "hottest rivalry in college basketball today" will have its Eastern Kentucky premiere next week in Paintsville.

The documentary, "The Rivalry: Red V. Blue," which bills itself as the "first and only" film to document the rivalry between the Louisville Cardinals and the Kentucky Wildcats, will be shown Monday, Dec. 30, at 7 p.m. at the Sipp The-

ater in downtown Paintsville.

Paintsville is one of three locations selected for the film's premiere and is the hometown of its producer, Wade Smith. The other showings will be Lexington and Louisville, the homes of the rival basketball teams.

"This movie had to be made; we just happened to be making it at the right time!" the film's Web site says. "In 2012 we were in New Orleans to document the historic Final Four showdown between the Cards and the Cats. In 2013 we were in Atlanta for Louisville's first

national championship since 1986."

The documentary, which will be officially released Friday, includes interviews with "tons of coaches, players and personalities," including Paintsville High School boys' basketball coach Bill Mike Runyon and Paintsville Mayor Bob Porter, according to the Web site.

"Our incredible fan footage captures the passion and pride of the supporters of both these programs in a dynamic and electrifying fashion and distills the essence of a singular and unique rivalry in the way only a movie can," the Web

site says.

The site says what makes the documentary "such a unique and compelling story is that we do not only document the high and low points of this rivalry in a conventional documentary format."

"We explore the background to and address the somewhat strange and at times downright bizarre reasons and circumstances, which combined to ignite the rivalry in the first place, and which continue to

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ingly and unlawfully were in possession of six grams of methamphetamine with the intent of trafficking in that methamphetamine.

- Mary Tackett, 59, of Prestonsburg, charged with theft by deception over \$10,000 (cold checks).

According to the indictment, on or about Aug. 10, Tackett allegedly knowingly and unlawfully passed a fraudulent check drawn on First Commonwealth Bank for \$48,578.94 issued to Brown's Ford of Paintsville.

- Charles A. Collier, 35, of Sitka, charged with manufacturing methamphetamine.

According to the indictment, on or before July 2, Collier allegedly knowingly and unlawfully manufactured methamphetamine or with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine was in possession of two or more chemicals or two or more items of equipment for the manufacture of methamphetamine and was manifestly under the influence of a controlled substance or other drugs while in a public setting.

- George T. Green, 30, of Oil Springs, and Justin Fields, 22, of Paintsville, charged with manufacturing methamphetamine/complicity and public intoxication.

According to the indictments, on or before Oct. 12, Green and Fields allegedly, acting alone or in complicity with each other, knowingly and unlawfully manufactured methamphetamine or with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine was in possession of two or more chemicals or two or more items of equipment for the manufacture of methamphetamine and were manifestly under the influence of a controlled substance or other drugs while in a public setting.

- Derek Preece, 29, of Bowling Green, charged with third-offense driving DUI suspended license, reckless driving and improper pass-

ing.

According to the indictment, on or before Oct. 21, Preece allegedly knowingly and unlawfully operated a motor vehicle while his license was suspended for a violation of KRS 189a.010, with two prior convictions of the offense and was in physical control of a motor vehicle without regard for the safety and convenience of pedestrians and other vehicles.

- James Edward Maynard, 46, of Paintsville, charged with second-degree escape.

According to the indictment, on or before Aug. 17, 2012, Maynard allegedly knowingly and unlawfully escaped the custody of Kay Grevious, program coordinator with the 24th Judicial Circuit Community Corrections Program, by fleeing his registered residence where he was being monitored by his ankle device after being placed on court ordered home incarceration as part of his sentencing conditions from Martin Circuit Court.

- Clancy E. Fields, 38, of Lovely, charged with first-degree promoting contraband.

According to the indictment, on or before Dec. 6, Fields allegedly, knowingly and unlawfully introduced, obtained or possessed a controlled substance into the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center in Johnson County.

- Ryan Ramey, 30, of Sitka, charged in two separate indictments with flagrant non-support.

According to the first indictment, on Sept. 1, 2007 through Sept. 30, Ramey alleged failed to pay child support to Ella S. Colvin of Wittensville, as court ordered with a total amount exceeding \$13,761.47.

According to the second indictment, from Sept. 1, 2008, through Sept. 30 of this year, Ramey failed to pay child support to Rachel Daniels of Paintsville as court ordered with a total amount exceeding \$3,861.18.

- Ronnie P. Collett, 43, of Salyersville, charged with

flagrant non-support.

According to the indictment, from April 1, 2000, through Sept. 30, Collett allegedly failed to pay child support to Kristy Wireman of Paintsville as court ordered with a total amount exceeding \$13,282.18.

- Elizabeth Lemaster Allen, 35, of Meally, charged with tampering with a prisoner monitoring device and first-degree persistent felony offender.

According to the indictment, on or before Dec. 16, Allen allegedly intentionally altered, disabled, deactivated, tampered removed, damaged or destroyed a device used to facilitate electronic monitoring after she has been ordered to wear such a device due to the conditions of her probation, parole, release or pre-trial release and is also a previously convicted felon.

- Christopher D. Davis, 22, of Wittensville, and Ronald Rice, 22, of West Van Lear, charged with third-degree burglary/complicity and three counts of theft by unlawful taking over \$500.

According to the indictment, on or before Nov. 9, Davis and Rice, allegedly acting alone or in complicity with each other, knowingly and unlawfully entered a building located at 818 Broadway in Paintsville owned by William Wade Smith of Flat Gap with the intent to commit the crime of theft.

Davis and Rice also allegedly took a 2000 CR-250 dirt bike valued in excess of \$3,500 from Oz Motorsports (William W. Smith) of Paintsville; a 2009 CRF-450 dirt bike valued in excess of \$3,500 from Oz Motorsports (William W. Smith) of Paintsville and a 2008 TRX 450R Honda Four-wheeler valued in excess of \$3,500 from Oz Motorsports (Jamie Arnett) of Paintsville.

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SPENCE: Martin Co. man pleads not guilty

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behalf.

Spence was indicted in two separate indictments Dec. 5 for the offenses.

According to the indictments, on or before Nov. 1, Spence allegedly intentionally and/or wantonly, with extreme indifference to the value of human life, caused the death of Edgar L. Hedrick by shooting him in the face with a firearm. The indictment says he also fatally shot April S. Hedrick in the neck.

Spence also allegedly destroyed, mutilated, concealed, removed or altered physical evidence that he believed was about to be produced or used in an official proceeding with the intent to impair its verity or availability, namely the body of April S. Hedrick and the gun.

Martin County Coroner Joe Mullins said just after the murder that preliminary autopsy results showed that the couple both died from a single gunshot wound to the head.

"He was shot under his right eye and she was shot in the neck," Mullins said. "They

used a 12-gauge shotgun with bird-shot shell. We still don't have the results of the other screens done during the examination, but that is what the preliminary shows."

Kentucky State Police responded to the scene to render assistance after being contacted by the Martin County Sheriff's Office.

Martin County sheriff's chief deputy Bryan Tipton said a shotgun was used to kill the couple and that the bodies were found by a relative inside the home.

Tipton said he along with deputies Chris Todd and Paul Evans arrived on the scene with members of the coroner's office and NetCare Ambulance Service and that they contacted the KSP.

"Nobody else was there, and Spence had already left," Tipton said.

Spence was later arrested and charged with two counts of murder. He is also facing additional charges of first-degree disorderly conduct, menacing, resisting arrest, and first- and second-offense alcohol intoxication in a public place.

UHLMANN: Lawrence resident charged in beating

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patched to a residence on Diamond Ridge Road on Dec. 20, in reference to a call from Uhlmann saying he had beaten his wife.

Upon their arrival, deputies located a female who was tied up and had been assaulted and who suffered from severe head injuries, the release said.

Uhlmann wasn't present when officers arrived and had fled in the family-owned vehicle prior to the officer's arrival and later crashed it.

The injured female was flown to a trauma center, where she in intensive care at press time.

Uhlmann on Saturday reportedly stole a red 1997 Chevy short wheelbase 4x4, with oversize tires, a diamond plated tool box and a chrome brush guard at gunpoint, the release said.

At the time of the original release, he was last seen in Carter County around State Route 1 and Hwy 1496 and in possession of a shotgun. He was considered armed and dangerous.

At the time of his arrest by the Carter County Sheriff's

Office, Uhlmann was located in the parking lot of the Carter County Jail.

Uhlmann is currently being held in the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center in Johnson County.

FILM: Premiere scheduled

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Smith is an environmental consultant who has worked on some of the largest environmental litigation cases in the nation. He became involved in filmmaking when he was contacted by director Rory Owen Delaney to work as a producer on the documentary "Toxic Soup." Delaney, a Louisville native and founder of Man Bites Dog Films, is also the director of "Red V. Blue."

Smith is "marketing brains behind Man Bites Dog Films," the Web site says.

"Smith's films have screened at the Raindance Film Festival, Atlanta Film Festival, Twin Cities Film Festival, and the Louisville International Festival of Films, among others."

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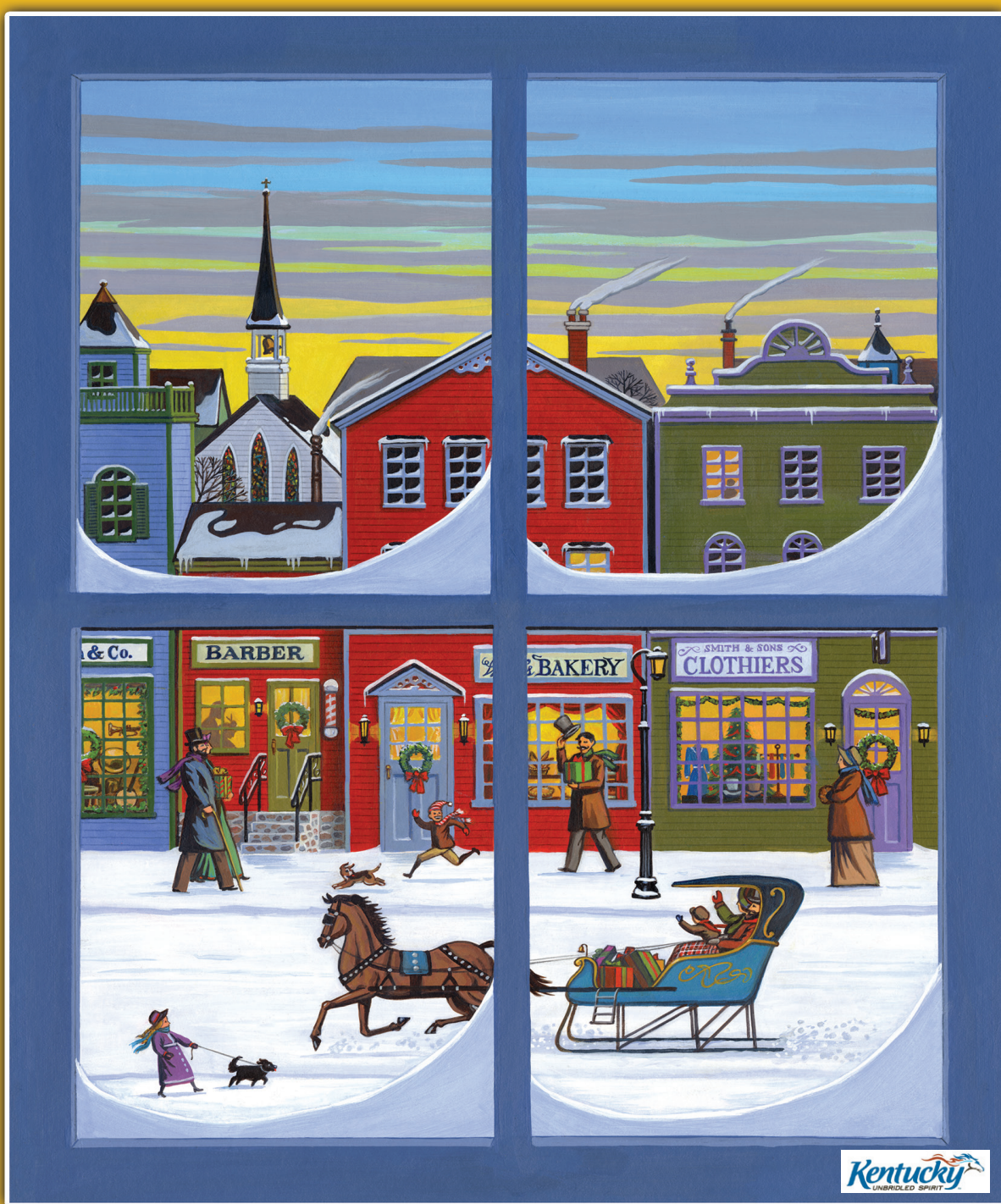
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PAINTSVILLE ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE and High schools held their annual Christmas programs to a full house in the High School gymnasium Thursday. Doris Haney led the kindergarten and first grade. Kindergarten performed "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" and first-grade students did "Must Be Santa." Diana Wheeler conducted the second through fifth grades, and their teachers helped with the songs in their homerooms. Andy Milner led the high school/middle school choir and band.

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Group gets federal grant

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A consortium of 18 Eastern Kentucky school districts was among the national applicants that have won a total of approximately \$120 million in the second round of the Race to the Top-District (RTT-D) competition.

The Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative (KVEC) was among the five winners, which also included school districts in South Carolina, Mississippi, Texas and Arkansas.

The Johnson, Floyd and Magoffin county school districts as well as Paintsville Independent are among the members of the KVEC.

The RTT-D grants will go to support locally developed plans to personalize and improve student learning, directly increase student achievement and educator effectiveness, close achievement gaps, and prepare every student for success in college and careers. Through these grants, school districts will be able to better support teachers and students by increasing educational opportunities, according to a press release from the U.S. Department of Education. The grants will also help teachers tailor their approach to meet their students' needs, allow them to collaborate in new ways, and provide students with resources that enable them to access a world-class education no matter where they are.

"These winners particularly shine a light on the innovative work going on in rural school districts across the country to tailor education for all students and provide school leaders and teachers with key tools that support them in meeting students' needs," the press release said.

The grantees were selected from 31 finalists, representing 80 school districts across 21 states. The department received more than 200 applications for the competition.

"These winners serve as an example to the rest of the country for how to develop innovative plans to drive education reform and improve student achievement," U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said. "These diverse, trailblazing districts have a clear vision and track record

of success for models of personalized learning that aim for every child to graduate from high school ready for college and careers."

Consistent with the department's plan to select high-quality proposals from applications across a variety of districts, the winners represent a range of districts, both rural and non-rural, from both Race to the Top states and non-Race to the Top states. These grantees complement the department's efforts to increase support for schools across the country and provide educators and students with access to resources that equip them to deepen student learning through locally developed strategies, the release said.

Grantees were selected based on their vision and capacity for reform as well as a strong plan that provides educators with resources to accelerate student achievement and prepare students for college and their careers. Plans focused on transforming the learning environment so that it meets all students' learning abilities, making equity and access to high-quality education a priority. The program also offers competitive preference to applicants that form partnerships with public and private organizations to offer services that help meet students' academic, social, and emotional needs, outside of the classroom.

JAIL: Authorities find drugs

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this time due to the ongoing investigation.

Attorney General Jack Conway's Department of Criminal Investigations and members of the KSP and the Prestonsburg Police Department joined with the Floyd County Detention Center Thursday to investigate illegal contraband being introduced into the facility.

After the arrests were made, Floyd County Jailer Cheyenne McKinney conducted a search of the detention center, locating items of contraband within the facility, the release said.

The release didn't say whether the two men who were arrested were inmates, visitors or employees at the detention center.

The investigation is ongoing through a cooperative effort of all the agencies involved, according to the release.

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Obituaries

William Henry Stepp 1952-2013

MARTIN COUNTY — William Henry Stepp, 61, of Inez, died Saturday, Dec. 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born May 5, 1952, in Martin County, he was the son of the late Lum and Pearl Maynard Stepp.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Larry Joe Stepp; and a daughter, Sherry Ann Stepp.

Survivors include his wife, Madgie Stepp; a son, Willie Stepp of Inez; a daughter, Ginger Fletcher of Lawrence County; two brothers, Danny Blevins and Donald Cassidy, both of Columbus, Ohio; two sisters, Shirley Blevins and Stella Murphy, both of Columbus; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Dec. 17, at Vineyard United Baptist Church. Burial was in Stepp Family Cemetery, under direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home, Inez.

Lester Gene Adams 1940-2013

FLOYD COUNTY — Lester Gene Adams, 73, of Blue River, died Monday, Dec. 16, at his residence.

Born June 5, 1940, at Ivyton, he was the son of the late James and Ethel Jackson Adams. He was a truck driver for East Kentucky Explosives.

He was also preceded in death by a brother, Ernie Adams.

Survivors include his wife, Myrtle Kilgore Adams; a son, James Adams of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Geneva Joseph of Salyersville and Brenda Hamilton of Blue River; a step-son, Charles Sparks of Prestonsburg; two step-daughters, Cindy Bentley of Louisiana and Debbie Bentley of Eastern; three brothers, Larry Adams, Paul Adams and Don Adams, all of Ivyton; a sister, Kim Layfield of Caney, Ohio; 12 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, Dec. 19, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Billy Marsillett and Johnny Kilgore officiating. Burial was in Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Raymond Lee Osborne 1955-2013

LAWRENCE COUNTY — Raymond Lee Osborne, 58, of Blaine, died Tuesday, Dec. 17, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa.

Born Feb. 20, 1955, at Blaine, he was the son of the late Hubert and Sylvia Sparks Osborne. He was of the Baptist faith.

He was also preceded in death by his wife, Peggy Ann Osborne; and two sisters, Taletha Faye Bates and Lucy Barker.

Survivors include a daughter, Tammy Keeton of Blaine; a son, Chris Osborne of Blaine; two brothers, Hubert Milton Osborne of Blaine and Jerry Osborne of Ashland; two half-brothers, Harold Osborne and Darrell Lowe, both of Blaine; three half-sisters, Patsy Arrington and Brenda Slone, both of Blaine, and Suzie Ratliff of Fallsburg; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 20, at Cains Creek Freewill Baptist Church, with Ford McKenzie and Rodney King officiating. Burial was in Osborne Cemetery, Blaine, under direction of Wilson Funeral Home, Louisa.

Thomas Waddles Jr. 1913-2013

FLOYD COUNTY — Thomas Waddles Jr., 100, of Topmost, died Monday, Dec. 16.

Born Oct. 30, 1913, in Knott County, he was the son of the late Thomas "Babe" and Lula Beverly Waddles. He was a retired coal miner and member of C a n e y Fork Old Regular Baptist Church, Raven.

He was also preceded in death by his wife, Grace Slone Waddles; two sons, Diamond Ray Waddles and Ronald Gene Waddles; four brothers, Leman Waddles, Culbert Waddles, Clinis Waddles and Calvin Waddles; and three sisters, Lurie Bryant, Delila Osborne and Nancy Hamilton.

Survivors include a son, James Waddles of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Georgia Hall of Topmost and Joyce Campbell of Carmel, Ind.; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 20, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating. Burial was in Buckingham Cemetery, Bevinsville, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Annette Hall Campbell 1938-2013

LaGRANGE COUNTY — Annette Hall Campbell, 75, of Stroth, died Saturday, Dec. 14, at her residence.

Born Nov. 26, 1938, at Drift, she was the daughter of the late J o h n n y and Armina M o s l e y Hall. She was a member of the Helmer Independent Baptist Church.

S h e was also preceded in death by two brothers, Carlos Hall and Clinis Hall; and a sister, Judith Hall.

Survivors include her husband, James Clinis Campbell; a daughter, Sharon Ritchie of LaGrange; five sisters, Emma Campbell of Jackson, Mich., Edith Hall of Martin, Myrtle Burke, Melody Jervis and Debbie Hall, all of Drift; six brothers, Harlos Hall of Georgetown, Johnny Hall, Bill Hall, Lonnie Ray Hall, Levi Hall and Lyndon B. Hall, all of Drift; two grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Thursday, Dec. 19, at Helmer Independent Baptist Church, with Rick Davis officiating. Burial was in Lake Bethel Cemetery, LaGrange County, under direction of Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville.

Grover Fraley 1959-2013

GEORGIA — Grover Fraley, 54, of Griffith, Ga., died Monday, Dec. 16.

Born March 4, 1959, in Johnson County, he was the son of the late Henston and Christine Pack Fraley. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Gina Rape Fraley; a step-son, Jeremy Wright of Blairsville, Ga.; a step-daughter, Jennifer Reid of Griffin; three brothers, Johnny Fraley of Macon, Ga., Wallace Fraley of Van Lear and Christopher Fraley of Griffin; three sisters, Connie Adams of Michigan, Nancy Fraley of Boons Camp and Jewell Wallace of Griffin; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, Dec. 19, at Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, with Bill Brannon officiating. Burial was in Westwood Gardens, Griffin, under direction of Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, Griffin.

Jerry Lee Davis 1962-2013

MARTIN COUNTY — Jerry Lee Davis, 51, of Lovely, died Wednesday, Dec. 18, at his residence.

Born April 23, 1962, at Pikeville, he was the son of the late W a r r e n and Cora Lee Patrick Davis.

He was also preceded in death by a sister, Sharon K. Davis; and a brother, Tracy Kim Davis.

He was a retired coal miner and mechanic.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Kirk Davis; two daughters, Mallory Mechell Davis of Lovely and Nicole Arlene Davis of Warfield; three sons, Joe Allen Davis of North Carolina, Jessie Davis of West Virginia and Warren Davis Jr. of Wolf Creek; a sister, Beulah Marie Davis Murphy of Richmond; and a grandchild.

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 21, at Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, with Joe Mullins officiating. Burial was in Kirk Cemetery, Lovely, under direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, Inez.

Amanda Marie Sturgell Reasoner 1945-2013

OHIO — Amanda Marie Sturgell Reasoner, 67, of Lancaster, died Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Born Dec. 24, 1945, at Kermit, W.Va., she was the daughter of the late Wayne and Francis Sturgell.

Survivors include her husband, Jim Reasoner; three daughters, Dwenia Moore, Jenna Scheidegger and Jamie Rispress; a son, Sean Fitchpatrick; six sisters; four brothers; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, Dec. 22, at Neely Branch Church, Kermit, with Charles Rispress officiating. Burial was in Wayne Sturgell Cemetery, under direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, Inez.

Minnie A. Stonerock 1945-2013

MARTIN COUNTY — Minnie A. Stonerock, 68, of Inez, died Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Born June 28, 1945, in Martin County, she was the daughter of the late Wallace Williamson and Shirley Fraley.

Survivors include her husband, David Stonerock; two sons, Nathan Stonerock of Inez and Joel Stonerock of Winchester; six siblings, Pat Williamson, Lewis Williamson, Winford Williamson, Benny Williamson, Tennessee Mason, and Margret Coleman; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services were Saturday, Dec. 21, at Kingdom Hall of Inez, under direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, Inez.

Roberta Castle Conley 1938-2013

JOHNSON COUNTY — Roberta Castle Conley, 75, of Staffordsville, died Friday, Dec. 20, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville.

Born May 2, 1938, in Johnson County, she was the daughter of the late Russell and Eula Daniels Castle. She was a nurse's aide.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, George Conley; two brothers, Ralph Castle and Robert "Cub" Castle; and a sister, Ruby Cavins.

Survivors include a son, Jimmy George of Paintsville; three sisters, Ruth Rigby of Paintsville, Rushie Kestner of Hager Hill and Janet Sue Pack of Tutor Key; two brothers, Richard "Joe" Castle of Waldo and Ray Castle of Tutor Key; two grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were

Monday, Dec. 23, at Thealka Free Will Baptist Church, with Gary Blair, Larry Blair, and Hubert Slone officiating. Burial was in Mayo Cemetery, Paintsville, under direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville.

Robert Christopher Sexton 1982-2013

GEORGIA — Robert Christopher Sexton, 31, of Norcross, Ga., died Monday, Dec. 16, in Lilburn, Ga.

Born July 9, 1982, at Martin, he was the son of Russell Randy and Diana J. Sexton Ousley. He worked for Hydraryne Inc.

A d d i t i o n a l survivors include a son, Shane Christopher Sexton of Norcross; and a sister, Miranda Ousley of Marysville, Tenn.

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 21, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with James Stephens officiating. Burial was in Ousley Family Cemetery, Prestonsburg, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Patricia Lopez 1951-2013

FLOYD COUNTY — Patricia Lopez, 62, of Prestonsburg, formerly of Wayne, W.Va., died Thursday, Dec. 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born May 29, 1951, at Huntington, W.Va., she was the daughter of the late Lonnie and Norma Mills. She was an apartment complex manager.

Survivors include two brothers, Archie Mills of Lockebourn, Ohio, and Ollie Mills of Prestonsburg; and two sisters, Nellie Endicott of Auxier and Lillian Leonard of Riley, N.C.

Funeral services were Sunday, Dec. 22, at Morris Funeral Home, with Donnie Patrick officiating. Burial was in Epling Cemetery, Wayne, under direction of Morris Funeral Home, Wayne, W.Va.

David Douglas Poe 1954-2013

FLOYD COUNTY — David Douglas Poe, 59, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, Dec. 19, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa.

Born April 5, 1954, at Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Amos and Annie McGuire Poe. He was a laborer.

He was also preceded in death by two brothers, Malcolm Isaac Poe and Elbert Eugene Poe; and a sister, Ethel Kendrick.

Survivors include four brothers, John Poe of Blue River, Amos Poe Jr. of Goshen, Ind., Billy Poe of Sidney, Ind., and Ronnie Poe of Leesburg, Ind.; and three sisters, Lois Faye Crace, Mabel Rickel and Lucy Davis, all of Prestonsburg.

Graveside services were Sunday, Dec. 22, in Amos Poe Cemetery, Prestonsburg, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Buleah Mae Leckrone 1935-2013

FLOYD COUNTY — Buleah Mae Leckrone, 78, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, Dec. 20, at Essex Nursing and Rehab, Louisville.

Born Aug. 13, 1935, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Cornelius and Cora Lee C o b u r n Stephens. She was retired from American Standard and a member of the Tom M o o r e Freewill Baptist Church.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, John Leckrone; a son, Rodney Leckrone; two

brothers, Paul Timothy Stephens and Leonard Arthur Stephens; a sister, Allie Jo Goble; and a grandchild.

Survivors include two sons, Donald Eugene Leckrone of Prestonsburg and Randy Lee Leckrone

of Paintsville; four daughters, Elizabeth Pauline Prater of Jeffersonville, Ind., Cora Irene Hayden of Paintsville, Sandra Faye Osborne of Georgetown and Alisa Lynn Ousley of Auburndale, Fla.; three brothers, William Andrew

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Elizabeth "Sister" Ann Frazier 1943-2013

WEST VIRGINIA — Elizabeth "Sister" Ann Frazier, 70, of Prichard, passed away peacefully, Tuesday, Dec. 17, at St. Mary's Medical Center, Huntington, W.Va.

Born Nov. 11, 1943, in Glenhayes, W.Va., she was the daughter of the late Chriss and Lexie Kidd James. She was a homemaker and was a member of Big Hurricane Missionary Baptist Church and the Eastern Star.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Robin Lynn Morrison.

Survivors include her loving husband, Winston

D. Frazier of Prichard; a son, Winston Todd (Amy) Frazier of Louisa; a daughter, Francis Arlene (Jeff) Ward of Gahanna, Ohio; a brother, Wallace Ray James of Asheville, Ohio; a sister, Lena Mae "Tenny" Hooser of Chillicothe, Ohio; seven grandchildren, Peyton Ferguson, Timothy Morrison, Cody Ward, Joshua Morrison, Lexie Frazier, Tyler Ward and Addison Frazier.

Funeral services were 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, at Young Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Tony Perry and Pastor Richard Maynard officiating. Burial was in Lakin Cemetery, Big Hurricane Creek, Fort Gay, under direction of Young Funeral Home, Louisa.

Edgar Withrow Tingler Jr. 1957-2013

LAWRENCE COUNTY — Edgar Withrow Tingler Jr., 56, of Louisa, died Friday, Dec. 20, at his residence.

Born Jan. 4, 1957, in Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Edgar Withrow Tingler Sr. and Madeline Varney Setser. He was a laborer for Special Metals, a U.S. Army veteran and a member of the American Legion Post in Kenova, W.Va.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Ben Amos, Garrett Keith Amos and Earl Tingler; and a granddaughter, Kaisley Lynae Meddings.

Survivors include two daughters, Jessica Lynn and Steven Meddings of Catlettsburg and Jenae Nicole and Jarrod Van-



Hoose of Louisa; and four grandchildren, Kaylynn Nicole Meddings, Steven Kyle Meddings, Jenna Marie VanHoose and Jacob Allen VanHoose.

Funeral services were 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, at Young Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Richard Maynard officiating. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery, Louisa, under direction of Young Funeral Home, Louisa.

Ruth Collie 1935-2013

WEST VIRGINIA — Ruth Collie, 78, of Fort Gay, died Saturday, Dec. 21.

Born July 20, 1935, at Webb, W.Va., she was the daughter of the late Christopher Columbus and Minnie Copley Bowens. She was a homemaker and a member of the Webb Freewill Baptist Church.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Beldon Monroe Collie Jr., who died in 1988; a sister; two brothers; and grandson, Charles Edward Sammons II.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Bruce Crum of Steptown, W.Va., Judith and Charles Sammons and Jessica and Eugene Justice, all of Crum, W.Va.; three sons, Walter Collie, Gary and wife Kimberly Collie and Larry and wife Hazel Collie, all of Fort Gay; a sister, Thelma Mosley Hunt

of Lorain, Ohio; 11 grandchildren, Danny, Tonia, Chris, Jason, Dawn, Joseph, J.B., Tanner, Hayley, Braxton and Bethany; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24, at Webb Freewill Baptist Church, with Wayne Meddings, Everett Meddings, Kimble Copley and Luther Dingess officiating. Burial was in Joe Sammons Cemetery, Webb, under direction of Wilson Funeral Home, Louisa. Online condolences may be made at www.wilsonfuneralhomeky.com



Obituaries

Stephens and Charles Ed Stephens, both of Prestonsburg, and Clarence Donald Stephens of Piercetown, Ind.; a sister, Lorraine Hamilton of Prestonsburg; 15 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, Dec. 23, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Jody Spencer officiating. Burial was in Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Linda Shearer 1951-2013

FLOYD COUNTY — Linda Shearer, 62, of Grethel, died Saturday, Dec. 21, at Pikeville Medical Center, Pikeville.

Born July 18, 1951, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Virgil and Avenell Blanton Combs Meadows. She was a homemaker and of the Baptist faith.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Gene Arthur Shearer; a son, Bobby Joe Caudill; and a grandchild.

Survivors include two sons, Gene Arthur Shearer Jr. of Hazard and Dustin Henson of Grethel; five daughters, Brenda Sue Coots of Georgia, Tina Lyn Burke of Staffordsville, Elizabeth Ann Hatton and Tonya Renee Henson, both of Hazard, and Sontonia Henson of Grethel; five brothers, Thomas Combs of Prestonsburg, William Combs and Kenneth Combs, both of East Point, John Carl Combs of Allen and Wade Meadows of Prestonsburg; a sister, Sally Adkins of Grethel; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, Dec. 23, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Dennis Ray Hall officiating. Burial was in Meadows Cemetery, Prestonsburg, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral

Home, Martin.

Ray C. Bryant 1930-2013

MAGOFFIN COUNTY — Ray C. Bryant, 83, of Salyersville, died Saturday, Dec. 21, at King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland.

Born Oct. 18, 1930, in Knox County, he was the son of the late Grover Cleveland and Vestena Parton Bryant. He was a retired coal miner.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Clyde Bryant, Fred Bryant and Murphy Bryant; and three sisters, Nell Hamblin, Hazel Price and Chesea Tucker.

Survivors include his wife, Mae Brown Bryant; a son, Jody Ray Bryant of



Salyersville; a daughter, Tammy Taulbee of Salyersville; five grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 28, at Magoffin County Funeral Home Chapel, with Eddie Dennison officiating. Burial was in Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville, under direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home, Salyersville.

Willis Napier 1932-2013

WEST VIRGINIA — Willis Napier, 81, of Fort Gay, W.Va., died Saturday, Dec. 21, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa.

Born Oct. 5, 1932, at Haney, W.Va., he was the son of the late Elzie and Ella Napier. He retired from Inco Alloy, a member of the Oak Grove Church, and was a U.S. Army veteran.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Wilburn, Kenneth and Wilford Napier.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda O'Brian Napier; a daughter, Tina Perdue; five sons, Willis Ray Napier, Rick Napier, Doyle Napier, Carl Douglas Napier and David Napier; a brother, Wilkie Napier; four sisters, Effie Steele, Janice Branhams, Anna Jean O'Brian, and Joyce Wellman; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, Dec. 23, at Oak Grove Church, with Mack Cyrus, Tom Kitts, and Luther Dingess officiating. Burial was in O'Brian Cemetery, Fort Gay, under direction of Wilson Funeral Home, Louisa.



Church Corner

Old Path Baptist Church

Old Path Baptist Church will have a candlelight watch service on Tuesday, Dec. 31, at 8 p.m. There will be special preaching and singing. Food will be served following. Pastor Burl Lewis welcomes everyone to attend.

Silver Creek United Baptist Church

There will be a New Years Day service on Wednesday, Jan. 1, beginning at 7 p.m. Zach Pandelios from Whitesville, W.Va., will bring the message. There will be special singing and refreshments will follow. Pastor Otis Dillon, pastor, Otis Lynn Dillon, assistant pastor, and James Ray Spaulding, assistant pastor, welcomes everyone to attend.

West Van Lear Church of Christ

A free Christmas dinner (Wednesday, Dec. 25) will be held at West Van Lear Church of Christ, 4-6 p.m., first come, first serve. Arrangements can be made for deliveries by calling 606-371-2063.

Myrtle Chapel Church

Myrtle Chapel Non-Denominational Community Church, located on top of Five Forks Hill, Louisa, has services every Sunday beginning with Sunday School at 10 a.m., followed by morning worship at 11 a.m. Services are also held every Thursday at 7 p.m. For information, call 606-673-4327. Pastor John May welcomes everyone to all services. From Louisa, take Route 3, turn left on Five Forks,

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Fort Gay Church of God

Services are held at the Fort Gay Church of God each week, beginning with Sunday School at 10 a.m., evening worship at 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening at 7 p.m., is family training hour and adult Bible study and youth service. Everyone is welcome by Pastor Douglas Wilhite, and Assistant Pastor Randy Smith. The church is located on Vancouver Street, behind the post office.

The Independent Church of God

The Independent Church of God has services every Wednesday and Sunday, 6 p.m. The church is located off Rt. 32 on Rt. 1760, Louisa, 4 miles on the left. For information, call 606-652-9287, 652-3206, or 606-788-9346. Pastor Glen DeLong.

Rising Son Church

Services are held each week at Rising Son Church, 114 Rising Son Lane, Prestonsburg, beginning with Sunday worship at 11 a.m.; Wednesday worship at 6:30 p.m. Pastor D.P. Curry welcomes everyone.

Fort Gay Church of Christ

The Fort Gay Church of Christ will have services every week. Sunday meetings will be at 10 a.m. for Bible study, 11 a.m., for worship; evening at 6 p.m.; Monday-Thursday, services at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. The church is located on Cedar Heights

Road, off Tolsia Highway, Fort Gay. For information, or need a ride, call 304-648-5531.

Spencer Freewill Baptist Church

Spencer Freewill Baptist Church, 1145 Hwy. 1760, Louisa, will have regular services the first and fourth Saturday of each month, beginning at 7 p.m., and every Sunday with Sunday School at 10 a.m., and worship services at 11 a.m. Pastor Roger Ross welcomes everyone to attend.

Emmanuel Baptist Church

Emmanuel Baptist Church, 45 Emmanuel Circle, across the road from Happy Mart on US 23, Louisa, has Sunday School every Sunday at 9:45 a.m., followed by worship at 11 a.m.; Bible study is held every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Pastor Jonathan Hall, 606-686-1170.

Buchanan Chapel Church

Services are held every week, beginning with Sunday School at 10 a.m., with worship at 11 a.m. Sunday evening services are at 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening service and youth meetings are at 7 p.m., at Buchanan Chapel Church, located off Rt. 23, Louisa. Pastor Keith Workman welcomes everyone.

Macedonia Community Church

Services are held every week at Macedonia Community Church, 104 North Lackey Ave., Louisa. Sunday School at 10 a.m., with worship at 11 a.m. Pastor John Deboard welcomes everyone. For information, call 606-638-3964.

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Permit Number 864-0232 AM1 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that D&J Coal Company LLC, P.O. Box 2121, Pikeville, KY 41502, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface or auger/

highwall coal mining and reclamation operation located approximately 1.0 miles southwest of Mazie in Lawrence County. The amendment will add 28.98 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 17.13 acres, making a total area 399.46 acres within the amended permit boundary. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.5 miles Southeast from Ky. 32's junction with Mill Creek Road and located 0.5 miles Southwest of Mill Creek. The proposed amendment is located on the Mazie U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by R Barry Ferguson and Ishmael Bailey. The amendment will underlie land owned by Dolores T. Sparks. The operation will use the contour and auger/high wall method of surface mining. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written com-

ments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application: all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date. (12/4, 12/11, 12/18, 12/25 pd)

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Meadow Fork Mining Company, LLC, 28511 US Route 23, Catlettsburg, KY 41129 has applied for a Phase II Bond Release on Increment #2, on permit number 864-0182, which was lasted, issued on 09/14/2011. The application covers an area of approximately 427.08 acres located 0.5 miles Southwest of Adams In Lawrence County. The permit area is approximately 0.05 miles southwest of the junction of KY 1760 and the Aaron Branch Road, and is located 0.2 miles west of KY 1760. The

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- Tax Preparer - Paintsville: FT, \$7.25/hour, Ref. # KY0508433
- Medical Office Staff - Prestonsburg: PT, \$10/hour, Ref. # KY0508842
- Registered Nurse - Prestonsburg: Pt, \$13/hour, Ref. # KY0509274
- Sawyer - Prestonsburg: FT, 24 mo. exp., Ref. # KY0508107
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December 10

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December 3

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- Certified Nursing Assistant/CNA - West Liberty: PT, Ref. # KY0507172
- Production Assistant - Prestonsburg: FT, \$8.50/hour, Ref. # KY0507293
- Service Marketing Representative - Prestonsburg: FT, \$22,500/year, Ref. # KY0506824
- Sales Manager Trainee - Prestonsburg: FT, Ref. # KY0506053
- Maintenance Mechanic/Aide - Prestonsburg: FT, Ref. # KY0506498
- Buyer - Prestonsburg: FT, 12 mo. exp., Ref. # KY0505130

November 12

- Financial Assistant - Prestonsburg: FT, Ref. # KY0504795
- Employment Specialist - Prestonsburg: FT, Ref. # KY0505274
- Community Advocate - Prestonsburg: FT, 24 mo. exp., Ref. # KY0505273
- Outpatient Therapist - Prestonsburg: FT, Ref. # KY0504794
- SA Counselor - Prestonsburg: FT, Ref. # KY0505267

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In Lawrence, Boyd, Carter, Elliott, or Greenup Counties visit the Ashland office or call 606-920-2003; in Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, or Martin Counties visit the Prestonsburg office or call 606-889-1776; or visit the Pike County office or call 606-433-7723.

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The bond now in effect for increment #2 is \$29,100.00/ 22.11 acres. Approximately 85% of the original bond amount for this increment is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling, Grading & Seeding at minimum two years ago.

Written comments, objections and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601 by Jan. 14th, 2014.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Jan. 15, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. or soon thereafter as may be heard at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The bond release hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by Jan. 14th, 2014. (12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 1/1 pd) *****

LEGAL NOTICE

A message from Phillip Blair. A complaint has been filed in the Lawrence Circuit Court by Kentucky Housing Corporation against the UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL MARCUM. The said complaint has been filed by Hon. John G. Irvin. The lawsuit concerns fore-

closure of land in Lawrence County. I, Phillip Blair, represent no one in this lawsuit. Rather, I have merely been appointed by the Court as a "Warning Order Attorney" to publish this message to inform the UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL MARCUM of this case. I further advise that: (a) you may acquire additional information about this matter by consulting with the Lawrence Circuit Court Clerk about this case (which is number 13-CI-290); (b) if you are an interested party and take no action within the next 50 days, a Court Judgment may be entered in the case. You may contact Mr. Irvin (859-296-2300) or the Lawrence Circuit Court Clerk about this matter. (12/18, 12/25, 1/1 chg) *****

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Permit No. 864-0184

Inc. #'s 1, 3-5, 14, 24, 26, 32, 36, 42. In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Locust Grove, Inc. P.O. Box 958, Hazard, KY 41702, has applied for a Phase I bond release on Inc. #'s 1, 3-5, 14, 24, 26, 32, 36, 42 on permit # 864-0184, which was last issued on

November 17, 2010. The proposed operation will disturb 144.82 surface acres and will underlie 114.03 ac., for a total within the permit boundary will be 258.85 acres, located 2.40 miles Northwest of the community of Martha in Lawrence County.

The bond now in effect for Inc. #'s 1, 3-5, 14, 24, 26, 32, 36, 42, of which approximately 60 % of the original bond for the Phase I is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Grading, seeding, and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed in Fall of 2006. Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 21st, 2014.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 10 a.m. on January 22nd, 2014 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 21st, 2014. (12/18, 12/25, 1/1, 1/8 chg) *****

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Permit No. 864-0139

Increment's #1, 5, 7, 9, 12, & 19 in accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Executive Coal, LLC, 520 West Short Street, Lexington, KY. 40507, has applied for a Phase I bond release on Increment's #1, 5, 7, 9, 12, & 19, on permit # 864-0139, which was last issued on July 3rd, 2010. The permit currently covers an

area of approximately 135.51 acres. The permit area is approximately 1 mile southwest of Ky. Rt. 1690's junction with Burgess fork Road near the community of Cherryville. The latitude is 37° 59' 13"; the longitude is 82° 36' 09".

The bonds now in effect for Increment's #1, 5, 7, 9, 12, & 19 are Surety Bonds, of which approximately 60 % of the original bond amount is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Grading, seeding, and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed in Fall of 2009.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 21st, 2014. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on January 22nd, 2014 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 21st, 2014. (12/18, 12/25, 1/1, 1/8 chg) *****

NOT RESPONSIBLE

I, Sam Michael William Muncy, of 70 Mattie Road, Louisa, will no longer be responsible for any debts incurred other than my own. Effective December 18, 2013. (12/18, 12/25, 1/1 pd) *****

LEGAL NOTICE I've been appointed as Warning Order Attorney to notify the unknown spouse of Melissa Blackburn that a lawsuit affecting his legal rights has been filed in Floyd County

Circuit Court in case 13-CI-00943. This person should contact attorney Jason Charles Reichenbach, Esq. regarding this matter by telephone at 1-606-788-0022 or in writing to P.O. Box 666, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. (12/25, 1/1 pd) *****

LEGAL NOTICE

I've been appointed as Warning Order Attorney to notify Kevin Howard that a lawsuit affecting his legal rights has been filed in Johnson County Family Court in cases 13-AD-00051, 13-AD-00052 and 13-AD-00053. He should contact attorney Jason Charles Reichenbach, Esq., regarding this matter by telephone at 1-606-788-0022 or in writing to P.O. Box 666, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. (12/25, 1/1 pd) *****

LEGAL NOTICE ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS

The Big Sandy Regional Detention Center is accepting sealed bids for: Quarterly auditing of the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Audit Summary for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Qualifications: * Must be experienced with auditing of local government operations * Must be a licensed CPA. Please return all sealed bids by 12:00 p.m. on January 13, 2014 to: The Big Sandy Regional Detention Center, 904 Third Street, Paintsville, KY 41240. The sealed bids will be opened by the Jail Authority at the next scheduled Jail Authority Meeting. (12/25, 1/1, 1/8 chg) *****

AD FOR BID

Big Sandy Regional Detention Center is accepting sealed bids for the materials and labor to install a BAC unit (VF1-036-31L). This will be replacing an existing cooling tower and will involve the use of a crane for removal and placement. Electrical certifications and a plumbing license are required. The target date for in-

stallation is January 15, 2014. Rigging and installation instructions may be obtained at the facility Mon.-Fri. from 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m. The deadline for sealed bids is January 10, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. (12/25, 1/1, 1/8 chg) *****

13-P-00156 NOTICE

Notice is given that Janet Fitch, 2234 Nats Creek Road, Louisa, has been appointed as Executor of the estate of Judy Ann Boyd, 2234 Nats Creek Road, Louisa, on Dec. 19, 2013. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000122 NOTICE

Notice is given that Londa Caren Duncan, Louisa, has been appointed as Executor of the estate of Virginia Martin, Louisa, on Oct. 3, 2013. The attorney for the Fiduciary is Don Bailey, Louisa. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/15 pd) *****

13-P-000154

NOTICE Notice is given that Mitchell Heron, 106 Falcon Drive, Louisa, has been appointed as Executor of the estate of Clarence C. Castle, Louisa, on Dec. 12, 2013. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000155 NOTICE

Notice is given that Douglas Mollett, 2317 Nats Creek Road, Louisa, has been appointed as Executor of the estate of Delmar Mollett, 2350 Nats Creek Road, Louisa, on Dec. 12, 2013. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000153 NOTICE

Notice is given that Joann Chapman Collins, 1900 Fallsburg Road, Louisa, has been appointed as Executor of the estate of Kenneth E. Collins, Louisa, on Dec. 12, 2013. The attorney for the Fiduciary is Lloyd E. Spencer, 129 Second Street, Vanceburg, KY

41179. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000158 NOTICE

Notice is given that Jean Houston, 778 Tark Hill Road, Blaine, has been appointed as Executor of the estate of Ronald W. Houston, Jr., Louisa, on Dec. 19, 2013. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000152 NOTICE

Notice is given that Janice L. Hall, 90 Redbud Lane, Louisa, has been appointed as Executrix of the estate of Patricia Joan Lee, Loui-

sa, on Nov. 27, 2013. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Courts, Probate Division (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000131 NOTICE

Notice is given that Sharon Snyder, 5542 Oakmont Drive, Columbus, Ohio, 43232, has been appointed as Executrix of the estate of Walter Adams, Louisa, on Oct. 24, 2013. All creditors must file their claims within six months of the above date. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/25 pd) *****

13-P-000144 NOTICE

Notice is given that Brandi Rene Stratton, 2325 Bishop Knob Road, Webbville, KY 41180, has been appointed as GUARDIAN

of the IN RE OF: Thomas Aaron Curtis Stratton, a minor child of Lawrence County, on Nov. 14, 2013. Jodi L. Parsley, Clerk, Lawrence Circuit, District Courts (12/25 pd) *****

11-P-00056 IN RE: ESTATE OF: Gene T. Meade

Notice is hereby given that Mary Lou Meade of Louisa, has filed a Settlement of Administratrix of the above named ESTATE OF Gene T. Meade, Louisa. Attorney is Don Bailey, Louisa. Anyone having objections and exceptions against this estate, the claim must be filed before the hearing, which will be approved on Jan. 23, 2014, at 9 a.m. Jodi L. Parsley, Lawrence District Court, Probate Division (12/25 pd)

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Communities

Our digital New Year's Resolution: Manners Matter!

by Kim Komando

Kim Komando hosts the nation's largest talk radio show about consumer electronics, computers and the Internet.



Good grief! Just when we needed a bit of good news, instead we hear that the FAA is debating whether to let airline passengers use their cell phones during flights.

Hard to think of anyone who would volunteer to sit next to a guy with a loud voice yammering into his cell phone on a cross-country trip.

It reminds me that there's one thing we can all agree on this holiday season: Our collective digital manners could use some work!

If you're a regular reader of this column—or a loyal listener of my national talk radio program—I'm sure you've passed along some of my tips on how to cope with today's digital lifestyle.

I've collected my top 10 suggestions for better digital manners for the New Year. Won't you take the time to share them with kids, parents and friends?

1) Be in the moment! When you're with friends or family, be with them. Focus on those around you—not your phone or tablet. Trust me, there will come a time when your memories of those moments will mean a lot to you.

2) Learn how to turn it off. We all know the guy who puts his phone down—only to have it ring and buzz unattended for the next two hours! Make sure you know how to completely silence your phone or tablet.

3) Keep your voice down! Who hasn't been in a restaurant, shop or bus where one Chatty Cathy or Carl dominates the room with a loud cell-phone conversation? If others can hear you, keep it short—and quiet.

4) Keep the sound and light down, too. Remember that those rockin' tunes can bleed from your headphones—and that light from your cell can be seen in the whole movie theater!

5) Snarkiness can backfire. There's a reason it's called social media. On Facebook and Twitter, your friends can stop following you or even block you with a quick click of the mouse. Compliments and constructive criticism work better than carping and insults.

6) Don't bug people on Facebook. No one has to friend you, and no one has to acknowledge your posts or comments. Create your own community, and let others live in theirs.

7) Don't walk and text (or post) at the same time. Sooner or later, you're going to bump into another pedestrian—or walk in front of something bigger than you moving at a high speed.

8) Tweet unto others as you would have them Tweet unto you. Those viral videos on YouTube and the candid pix on Facebook are a hoot, right? But how would you like a photo of your pratfall—or even just you not looking your best—put up on Twitter to be laughed at by millions? There are serious privacy implications in taking pictures of strangers and putting them up for public consumption. The solution? Ask first.

9) Pass your good digital manners along. As you introduce your kids, parents or friends to the Internet, texting and social media, show them how to be polite and productive and fun online right from the start.

10) And finally ...

See **MANNERS**, Page A12



FORMER SMALL-TOWN girl Rhonda Stapleton is the founder and director of Samaritan Village, a non-profit organization in Florida that helps women desiring freedom and transformation.

JCHS grad leads crusade

PRESTONSBURG — Growing up as a small-town girl in the peace and tranquility of rural Eastern Kentucky, Rhonda Stapleton could never have imagined she would one day be a daring crusader against human trafficking on the inner-city streets of Orlando, Fla.

Nevertheless, as the founder and director of Samaritan Village, she is living her calling each day, providing a lifeline to women desperate to escape lives devoured by drug addiction and prostitution.

After graduating from Johnson Central High School in 1979, Stapleton obtained an associate's degree at Prestonsburg Community College (now Big Sandy Community and Technical College) and then a bachelor's degree in business administration at Berea College. After graduation, she worked in a variety of business-related jobs, including court reporter, office manager, and human resources, before enrolling in Asbury Seminary in Lexington to pursue a master's of divinity.

"It was a calling," she says to explain this dramatic life shift. "I had a real desire to help or empower people who are marginalized."

After completing her master's degree, she immediately put her degree in service to her calling, and moved to Orlando in 2002. There, she worked with Restore Orlando, an organization that served poor families by offering adult education classes, hot meals for children, and a food pantry, among other services. After the organization decided to become a school, Stapleton began serving as a chaplain in the prison system.

Before long in that new position, Stapleton realized that she was seeing many of the same women over and over, cycling in and out of the prison system. She came to recognize that the women were not succeeding in life outside of the prison walls because they did not have a support system that allowed them to make better choices. Whenever the women completed a jail sentence, they went right back into the same environment and structure that had contributed to their incarceration in the first place. And the cycle began all over again.

So she fine-tuned a business plan she had been tinkering with for some time, and approached a large church in the area for start-up support for Samaritan Village. On the organization's Web site, www.samaritanvillage.net, Samaritan Village is described as "a Christ-centered transitional program for women desiring freedom from chemical dependency and sexual exploitation. Through solid Biblical teaching, women learn who they truly are at the core (the true self), what they are wired for, and how they can live wholly, successfully and productively in society."

With financial support from the church, Samaritan Village was established as a non-profit charity in January 2009. Stapleton purchased a home that could house up to four women at a time for a nine-month treatment program that offers "group structure, counseling, relapse prevention, life skills training, career assessment, continued education, fiscal responsibility, goal setting, and community service and outreach for a holistic

approach to healing and wholeness," according to the website.

"The women come to us after completing a (drug) detox program," Stapleton said, "and we guide them through a 12-step program to help them avoid relapse. We pair them up with mentors and help them get plugged into the community."

"The hardest step is helping them find jobs. No one wants to help a former prostitute."

She is quick to note, however, that no young girl ever sets out to be a prostitute and too often the downward slide into prostitution began with some sort of abuse or violence, which in turn often leads to drug use as a means of escape. The drug dependency then becomes the tool that abusers use to control the female and facilitates her decline into prostitution.

In fact, Stapleton is quick to share some startling statistics: Florida is the third leading hub for human trafficking in the United States; the average age for a female to become a prostitute is 13; and the average service span as a prostitute is seven years, with the most common escape from a life of prostitution being death.

Even though it is a new program, Samaritan Village has already enjoyed some success. Four out of five women in the first class who completed the entire program are still drug free and off the streets.

"The women are doing well and are on the right track," Stapleton notes proudly, while acknowledging, "they are still working on their journey to recovery."

Although her education and life have followed a rather circuitous path, Stapleton recognizes that the education and employment twists and turns all had a part in getting her to where she is today.

"It's hard, difficult and challenging work," she admits, "but I'm happy with my life. I believe God weaved the path, along with choices I made along the way, and that shapes who we are for where we need to be."

Although she is in a ministry field, her business education and background prepared her to write the business plan for Samaritan Village and gave her the knowledge to teach money-management skills to adults. As a member of a business honor's club at Prestonsburg Community College, Stapleton was tasked with fund-raising for a charity event and that early experience contributed to her courage and skill today in fund-raising on behalf of the Samaritan Village.

From the small community of River in Johnson County to the big city of Orlando, Stapleton has traveled far in miles and motivation. Today she is dedicated to the rescue and recovery of abused and damaged women who have, in large part, been written off by society.

Stapleton's creation, Samaritan Village, has a completely different perspective of these women: "At Samaritan Village, we believe that not only will the lives of Samaritan women be transformed, but their families and communities will be changed as well. The cycle of addiction, sex trafficking, violence and despair must end. This is where it stops."

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Wednesday, Dec. 25

The Lawrence County Sheriff's office will be closed today and Thursday, Dec. 26, in observance of Christmas. The office will also be closed Jan. 1 for New Year's.

Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held every Wednesday, at 8 p.m., at Three Rivers Medical Center, third floor conference room, Louisa. Enter thru the main entrance. To find an NA meeting near you, call 855-319-8869, or the website: grassrootsna.org.

Saturday, Dec. 28

The Johnson County Public Library will host its Family Fun Day "Year End Celebration" today, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Food will be served along with inflatables provided. This is a free program. Space is limited, pre-registration is required; a computer workshop on Windows 8 and other new programs will be Monday, Dec. 30. 10 a.m.-noon. The program is free. For information, call 606-789-4355.

Monday, Dec. 30

The Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking classes are on-going at Saint Joseph-Martin every Monday, at 10:30 a.m., in the Sexton Complex lower level conference room. For information, call 606-285-6691.

Tuesday, Dec. 31

Today is the last day to pay Lawrence County property tax at face amount. Tax bills are considered delinquent after today. 5% penalty per KRS 134.015 will be added to property tax bills paid Jan. 1-Jan. 31; 21% penalty if paid after Jan. 31, per KRS 134.015.

Miscellaneous

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife has designated the parking lot of the Yatesville Lake fishing jetty as a Christmas tree drop-off. The lot is located just before the Yatesville Lake Marina at the end of Rt. 1185, Louisa. These trees will be used for fish habitat. For information, call 606-686-2412, or 686-3312.

Open Registration for the spring 2014 semester at the University of Pikeville will be Jan. 9-10, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., each day, in the Armstrong Learning Center, fourth floor. Scholarships and financial aid is still available. Please file 2014-2015 FAFSA after Jan. 1. Classes begin on Monday, Jan. 13. For information, call 606-218-5251.

A veterans benefits field representative will be at the Lawrence County Courthouse, Louisa, Wednesday, Jan. 8, 9 a.m.-noon; and at the Kentucky Career Center, 686 North Lake Dr., Prestonsburg, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. This is a free service. For information, call 866-647-2926 (Prestonsburg), or 866-244-8970 (Lawrence County).

Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa, will offer a prenatal class on the second Tuesday of each month, beginning on Jan. 8, in the third floor classroom, 2-4 p.m., and 5-7 p.m. Classes are free, light snacks will be provided. For information, call 606-638-1506.

The Louisa Area Fire and Rescue District will meet on Monday, Jan. 13, at 6 p.m., at the Lawrence County Courthouse, Louisa, to accept nominations for Trustees. The meeting is open to the public.

King's Daughters Mobile Mammography Unit will King's Daughters Medical Specialties, 1279 Old Abbott Mountain Road, Prestonsburg, beginning at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, Jan. 21. Screenings do not require a physician order, but an appointment is necessary by calling 606-408-2742, or toll free 1-877-304-1935. A limited number of free mammograms to uninsured/underinsured women through a grant funding provided by the Susan G. Komen Foundation. For information, call 1-888-377-5362.

Safe Harbor, in conjunction with VITA (Voluntary Income Tax Assistance), is seeking volunteer tax preparers. Volunteers will be trained prior to the beginning of the program. Tax-preparers will work with residents with incomes under \$51,000 from across the Tri-State. There is no charge to residents for the tax-preparation service. Tax help will be available thru Friday, April 11. Returns are filed electronically, and refunds are available within 7-10 days. To volunteer or for information, call 606-329-9304.

The Senior Community Service Employment Program is now taking applications for all Seniors 55 and up who are interested in entering the job market. The program officers participants skills training and development, assistance with job search and placement and income while you train. For information, call 606-826-

1038.

The Johnson County Health Department in Paintsville now has flu shots. No appointment is necessary, just walk in. The CDC recommends flu shots for everyone over the age of 6 months.

The Lawrence County Genealogical and Historical Society, Inc., has acquired the copyrights to the four volume set: Appalachia Crossroads, Volume I, by Clayton R. Cox. There will be a limited number of books printed. For information or to order, write to: P.O. Bx 1445, Louisa, KY 41230, or call 859-253-1111.

The Johnson County Public Library is offering a free trial of the online language learning tool "Mango Languages" which has course in 61 languages and 17 English as a Second Language courses on the website: www.johnson-countypubliclibrary.org. Downloading FREE Ebooks is now easier than ever using Ebook services through Kentucky Libraries Unbound. To use: go to: johnsoncountypubliclibrary.org. You must have a Johnson County library card. For information, call 606-789-4355, or stop by the library at 444 Main Street, Paintsville.

The Big Sandy Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is currently seeking volunteers to serve as friendly visitors or

certified ombudsman volunteers. An ombudsman is an advocate for residents of nursing homes, personal care homes, and family care homes. In addition to visiting long-term care facilities on a regular basis, an ombudsman strives to provide information and resolve complaints on behalf of residents. The Big Sandy Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program serves all long-term care residents in the Big Sandy area. A vital component of the Ombudsman Program is its volunteers.

Volunteers provide community accountability to facilities. Volunteers can also be used to make friendly visits to residents and, after becoming certified, can handle complaints.

If you would like to be involved in improving the quality of care and life of residents of long-term care facilities or would like more information on becoming a volunteer, please call 1-800-737-2723, extension 335, or send an e-mail to shawn.cornett@bigsandy.org.

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Again, pass along these tips to your kids, parents, family and friends—and have a great, productive and safe 2014 from all of us here at the Kim Komando Show.

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